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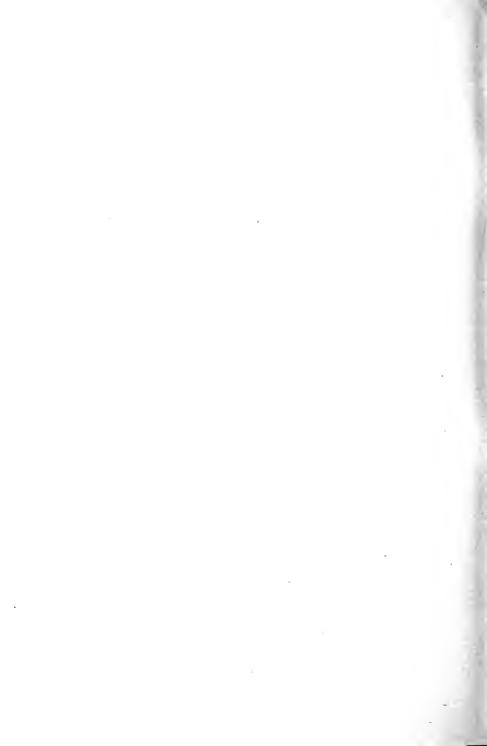
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REPORT OF ANDREW KEOGH, LIBRARIAN

To the President and Fellows of Yale University:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit the following report on the University Library for the year 1918–19.

THE MEDICAL LIBRARY

The most important work of the year was the turning of the north wing of the Old Library into a medical reading In keeping with the general University policy the Library endeavored to render the greatest possible service in the war, and, as the Government had sent many specialists to Yale to engage in medical research, the need of getting our medical books in order became urgent. The Library had not the means to do the work quickly, but the School of Medicine came to its aid and secured and transferred to the Library enough money to do what was most necessary. Owing to the crowded condition of the Library most of the books in the north wing were transferred to Osborn Hall for storage; the wing was cleaned; electric light was installed: facilities for study were provided; all the medical books in the Library were gathered and shelved in classified order: and a special catalogue of the books was begun, and completed so far as books published since 1900 are concerned. Most of this work was done under the immediate direction of Miss Margaret Brinton, who was called from the Lane Medical Library in San Francisco, and who remains as Medical Librarian. It is pleasant to record that the Faculty of the School of Medicine passed a special vote of thanks to the Library for the "extremely satisfactory" changes which had been made.

The number of books arranged in the Medical Library was about 26,000, of which 9,604 were classed and recatalogued, in addition to 10,000 dissertations and 10,000 pamphlets. About 14,000 volumes are serials, including periodicals, society transactions, and the papers of hospitals and other medical institutions. Yale currently receives more than 250 of these medical serials, and the list includes, in addition to the most important American and British journals, about 100 of the most important printed on the continent. These statistics do not include the so-called preclinical sciences (anatomy, physiology, general biology, biochemistry, bacteriology), but while books in these topics are in a separate class, they are shelved in rooms adjoining the Medical Library, so that they may be used easily by readers.

The Medical Library has had three important gifts during the year. The New Haven Medical Association, which held its December meeting in the new reading room, gave to Yale a large portion of its own library, the number of volumes being about 20,000. As opportunity offers these books are being classified and catalogued. The Yale Medical Association gave \$500, and the money will be spent in the purchase of books. The Class of 1885 Sheffield gave \$1,000 to the School of Medicine for books, and this gift, by vote of the Medical Faculty, and with the approval of the Corporation, was transferred to the Library. We look with confidence for further gifts of money and books for the development of this department of the Library's activities.

Following an address by the University Librarian at the annual meeting of the Connecticut State Medical Society in May, the Society printed A List of Medical Serials in the Libraries of Connecticut. This is an enlargement of A List of Serials in the Yale University Library, published in 1912 in the Yale Medical Journal. The new list, which contains the titles of more than 900 serials, in addition to many Public Health Reports, is no longer limited to Yale, but includes the serials taken by all the libraries, hospitals, and medical

associations in the state. It was edited by Miss Brinton, with the assistance of Miss Amanda Brugger, of the Library staff. The Library is grateful to the twelve Connecticut libraries that made this union list possible, and to the Connecticut Medical Society for printing it.

The Librarian was glad to remind the members of the New Haven Medical Association and of the Connecticut Medical Society that the Medical Library at Yale is freely open to them for reference purposes.

THE RECORDING OF SERIALS

Plans have been made and put into operation to record and catalogue more accurately, more fully, and more uniformly the periodicals, publications of societies, and other serials taken by the Library. The additions of this character are very large, the number of volumes received during the year being 11,823, of which 3,142 came by purchase, 7,599 by gift, and 1,082 by exchange. These figures do not include the volumes given by the New Haven Medical Association, mentioned on a previous page. The recording of the serials as they arrive has been placed in the hands of Mrs. Bryant, while the cataloguing or recataloguing of the sets is in charge of Miss Grace Fuller. The work is being done in such a way that it will not have to be done again; but like all work of this quality, it is very slow with so small a staff.

GIFTS AND BEQUESTS

The gifts of money included the usual annual contribution of \$5 from Mr. Martin Welles, '82; \$50 from Professor F. Wells Williams for the purchase of Chinese and Japanese books by Professor Asakawa, who was in Japan; \$500 from the Yale Medical Alumni Association, for the purchase of books for the Medical Library; and \$1,000 from the Class of '85 Sheffield for the same purpose. Mr. Bannard, Mr. Farwell, Mr. Ripley, and Mr. Whitney, four members of

the Corporation, have continued their generous contribution to one of the Library's activities which they have especially at heart. Mr. Bannard also gave \$5,866.40 to enable the Library to clear off its share of a debt incurred in 1915; the gift came anonymously to the Corporation, and it is a great pleasure to reveal here the name of the donor.

From Mrs. Charles M. Marsh, of Lyme, came 300 volumes of a miscellaneous character. Mr. Frederick S. Dickson, '71 S., added to his unique collection of Fielding, as well as giving books for other parts of the Library. Dr. Edward S. Morse, of Salem, in addition to offering his own works on oriental topics, gave a copy of the handsomely illustrated work entitled Japanese Temples and their Treasures, published by the Japanese Government in a very limited edition. Miss Mary O'Hara Darlington and her sister Mrs. Ammon gave Bonaparte's American Ornithology in four volumes, and nine rare early folio atlases, in memory of their brother, O'Hara Darlington, of the Class of 1871. Dr. Allen R. Diefendorf, '94, '96 M., gave 75 bound volumes, 100 unbound volumes, and 800 pamphlets, mostly medical in character, and relating for the most part to mental diseases. Professor Henry P. Johnston, '62, sent us his collection of the photographs he had used in editing the 1901 edition of his Nathan Hale, and those used in his Memoirs of Colonel Tallmadge; also his collection of portraits of the men mentioned in his Yale in the Revolution, with sixty-two copies of the book itself. Professor Tracy Peck, '61, gave eighty silver consular denarii and seventy silver imperial denarii. all in fine condition, and promised to add to his gift later. The Harvard Library sent a collection of programs and memorabilia relating to Yale. Mr. Jack Randall Crawford gave his collection of material relating to the modern drama, a collection consisting of pictures, pamphlets and clippings from many sources, playbills, portraits of actors and dramatists, illustrations of costumes, theatre plans, and similar material, of great value to those who study the actual

staging of plays. Mr. Crawford promised to add to his gift as opportunity offers, and expressed the hope that it would form the nucleus of a much larger collection. For the War collection we received from Mr. George M. Bodman, '05, sixty-one posters, including three American, twenty-five French, and thirty-three English, all beautifully mounted. Professor Mendel brought from Europe many interesting publications in regard to food control; and Mr. Harold D. Saylor, '14, brought a collection of French and American military pamphlets, dealing chiefly with artillery, and rigidly limited in circulation.

Mr. Otto Bannard, '76, gave the original receipt, entirely in the handwriting of Henry Fielding, for the £45 received by the novelist for the translation of Adlerfeld's *History of Charles the Twelfth*. This document is the only extant evidence of Fielding's responsibility for this translation, and has much literary interest. Fielding's autograph is also much rarer than that of any other of the great English writers of the eighteenth century.

Among the interesting gifts of the year was the receipt. from various sources, of material by and about the late William James Linton, who had a private press near New Haven for some years, and to whom Yale gave an honorary degree in 1901. The gifts are not only valuable in themselves, but unusual because they represent a concerted endeavor, on the part of relatives and friends of the artist. poet, and reformer, to have at Yale a collection of Lintoniana as complete as possible. The Yale collection, which was unusually strong, has now been greatly enlarged and enriched. We added, during the year, a large paper copy of the Masters of Wood Engraving, with an autograph inscription to his daughter, Miss Ellen Wade Linton. This was the first copy printed, each engraving pulled and mounted by the author, and it contains, in addition to an unpublished proof, and seven proofs differing from the volume as published, corrections, directions to the binder, and other manuscript notes. Miss Linton, her sister Mrs. Thomas Mather, and Mrs. Edmund Linton and her daughter Mrs. Harry Cook, gave to Yale a remarkable collection of letters and other manuscripts, rare pamphlets, medals, engravings, and other memorabilia of value. To these welcome gifts from relatives Mr. William Fowler Hopson added many engravings by Linton; and it is the hope of all the donors that in the new library building suitable provision will be made for a still larger Linton collection.

In addition to his gifts of Linton material Mr. Hopson gave many other engravings, including signed proofs of portraits and bookplates.

Two bequests of unusual importance were received by the Library during the year. The first was from the estate of George A. Kittredge, '55, and consisted of all his books relating to the East, in number about 350; and his collection of coins. The coins have been examined, identified and listed by Mr. Newell, our curator of coins, who is the President of the American Numismatic Society, and he reports that the collection is a very interesting one and a worthy addition to the remarkable collection of coins already at Yale.

The other bequest was one of rare books from the library of Mr. John W. Sterling, in accordance with the will he made in 1912. This gift was the first part received by Yale of the magnificent bequest to the University reported last year. Among the books are a Carmelite Breviary of the fifteenth century; a Roman Breviary printed on vellum at Venice in 1482, with illuminations; St. Cyril's *Speculum Sapientiae* printed at Basle about 1475; Brandt's *Ship of Fools*, London, 1570; Davies' *Microcosmos*, Oxford, 1605, with an autograph inscription by the author and numerous marginal notes in a contemporary hand; Walton and Cotton's *Complete Angler*, the 1836 edition, extended to six volumes folio by the insertion of 329 portraits, 692 plates, and 27 water-color and pen and ink drawings; and fifty-six volumes of the works of

Thomas Frognall Dibdin, some of them on large paper, extra illustrated, privately printed, or otherwise noteworthy. All the books are in fine condition, and most of them are beautifully bound.

The gifts to the Speck Collection of Classical German Literature are recorded under that head; the gift of the Schwab Memorial Fountain is recorded on a later page: the gift of books from the New Haven Medical Association, giving proof of the closer coöperation between the University and the medical profession in New Haven, is included in the account of the Medical Library at the beginning of this report.

The Library has received many hundreds of volumes and pamphlets from university libraries, from state and public libraries, from historical societies, and from other learned institutions here and abroad. A list of the individual donors is given at the end of this report. The Librarian regrets that the limits of space prevent him from making more than this general acknowledgment.

THE SPECK COLLECTION OF CLASSICAL GERMAN LITERATURE

While some additions were made to each section of the collection it is to the manuscript material procured mainly in this country that the greatest interest attaches. Of ten valuable Goethe numbers a fragment of the second part of Faust, 2 pp. 4^{to}, 52 lines, entirely in Goethe's hand and given by Ottilie von Goethe to Mrs. Jameson in 1835, is the most important. Of lesser literary value but of scarcely smaller bibliographical interest is the manuscript—long considered lost—of the poem Den Originalen, dated "d. 4. Nov. 1812." Among three Schiller holographs, the fragment, 17 lines 4^{to}, of Wallenstein's Lager, is the most valuable. Other excellent acquisitions are the manuscript of Herder's Der Landmann und der Sterndeuter and important autograph letters by John Sterling, Robert Southey, Sara Austin, and George Henry Lewes.

The music section was enriched by numerous accessions, the more noteworthy being the manuscript score and words of *Suleica* by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy and early editions of the complete orchestral scores of Beethoven's *Egmont Overture* and Hector Berlioz's *La Damnation de Faust.*

The rarest book acquired during the year is doubtless Walter Scott's Tales of Terror, one of only twelve copies printed by James Ballantyne at Kelso in 1799. The first book printed by Ballantyne, this copy is assumedly unique since all others, so far located, bear the title: An Apology for Tales of Terror. Of allied interest is an unusually tall copy of Monk Lewis's Tales of Wonder, 2 vols., 1801. A curious item is The White Rose of Vilna, a poem, translated from the German of Goethe. By I. T. Denovan, Edinburgh, 1800. In a New York auction room we obtained seven volumes of rare German Wertheriana issued in various places but all dated 1775. From the same source came also a remarkable copy of Stapfer's French version of Faust, with the celebrated illustrations by J. P. Laurens in two The book is encased in a unique binding with emblematic bas-reliefs by Grangheaud.

As in former years the collection received many valuable gifts. Professor Gustav Gruener presented several scarce editions of German classics, among them a fine copy of Lessing's Gesammelte Schriften, Berlin, 1773–1775, in six volumes. From Professor C. F. Schreiber came rather more than a hundred volumes of school editions of works by Goethe, Schiller, and Lessing. Miss Anderson, for the estate of Rev. Joseph Anderson, sent a compressed marble bust of Goethe and a handsome quarto volume of Deutsche Balladen. Mr. Oliver Barrett gave a fine manuscript poem, a translation of Goethe's Der Fischer, by Charles T. Brooks. Lieutenant W. S. Bryan sent from England a copy of Songs & Sayings of Walther von der Vogelweide, Englished by Frank Betts and published at Oxford in December of the Fourth Year of the War.

During the year we published *Goethe*, *August 28th*, 1875, by Bayard Taylor, together with a short historical sketch entitled *Bayard Taylor's Goethe*. The Ode and the Occasion. The pamphlet constitutes the fourth in our series of *Facsimiles and Reproductions*, from the Collection of Goethiana.

During the spring term the curator delivered to members of the Library staff, three lectures on the "Portraits of Goethe."

Students and other friends of the collection will welcome the statement that at least a beginning has been made towards cataloguing the books and that upwards of three hundred pamphlets and newspaper articles have been bound for greater usefulness and easier preservation.

EXHIBITIONS

Through the courtesy of the owner and of Professor Tinker we were able to exhibit for a week the *Memorandum Book of James Boswell for 1776–1777*, containing the first notes for his *Life of Johnson*, which was published in 1791. Boswell must have filled many of these notebooks with biographical memoranda; but this is the only one now known to exist. It is the property of Mr. R. B. Adam, of Buffalo, who acquired it at the sale of the Morrison Collection in June. This was the first public showing of a book which may be fairly described as the most interesting bit of Boswelliana in existence.

During Commencement week there was in the Chittenden Reading Room an exhibition of specimens of the American school of wood engraving, selected and arranged by Mr. William Fowler Hopson; and a collection of letters and first and other notable editions of Walt Whitman, given to Yale in 1912 by Mr. Owen F. Aldis, '74. An exhibition of foreign war posters was held in Artillery Hall during the same period. Exhibitions of posters were also held on Bastille Day and on Alumni Day.

THE SCHWAB MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN

In October a fountain erected in memory of Mr. Schwab was given to the University by his relatives. It is of bronze. with a framework of stone matching the Library building, and it is placed outside Linsly Hall at the right of the main entrance, facing north. A memorial address was given by Professor Charlton M. Lewis, who was Mr. Schwab's classmate. The presentation was made by Professor William Lyon Phelps, and was accepted by President Hadley, who said: "On behalf of the Yale Corporation, I accept this memorial to one of Yale's most distinguished sons. those who have used and who shall use the library, it serves as a monument to one who made this library what it is. To friends and colleagues who worked with him, it means more than this. It symbolizes the presence of one, who above all else was a true friend, and a man among men. Large minded and large hearted, unsparing in his devotion to others, he was an inspiration to those about him. I speak for the Corporation, and not only for Yale men of to-day and to-morrow, but, most of all, for the friends who treasure his memory, when I thank, out of the fullness of my heart, the widow and the sisters and the brothers for this memorial to John Schwab."

THE LIBRARY STAFF

Mr. Dexter, who printed privately during the year A Selection from the Miscellaneous Historical Papers of Fifty Years, is preparing a list of the more important manuscripts in English in the University Library.

Mr. Barr was absent during a part of May to serve as transport librarian for one trip to Brest, as a representative of the American Library Association in this branch of its overseas service.

In June the Corporation voted to rank Miss Monrad and Mr. Humphreys as Assistant Professors.

Dr. Thomas Goddard Wright, whose appointment as

Curator of the Collection of American Literature was recorded last year, died from influenza in March. He was one of the greatest users of the Library, both as student and teacher, and had been connected with the Library officially for many years. His interest in our problems, his conscientious work, and his pleasant personality make his loss severely felt.

The resignations during the year included Miss Gillette, who after thirteen years of service left to take a position in the department of Electrical Engineering; Mr. Diehl and Mr. Head, who joined the army, and did not return; Miss Alice M. Fuller, who entered the service of the New Haven Public Library; Miss Merrill, who went to the Connecticut State Library; Miss Baribault, who left to be married, and Mrs. Deming, who left on the return of her husband from service.

The new appointments included Miss Margaret Brinton (B.A. Stanford 1909) who took charge of our Medical Library; Miss Amanda Brugger (B.A. Mount Holyoke 1918); Miss Marion Lee (B.A. Mount Holyoke 1918); Miss Ruth L. Drury (B.A. Wellesley 1918); Miss Hazel M. Crawford (B.A. Mount Holyoke 1918); Miss Annise Boyd Kane (B.S. Simmons 1910); and Mr. Gilbert M. Troxell (B.A. Yale 1916). Miss Selma Osterloh came to us from the New York Public Library, and Miss Olive E. Goodman from the Yale Press. Owing to the temporary closing of the Observatory we were able to secure the half-time services of Miss Margaretta Palmer (Ph.D. Yale 1894).

Owing to the centralization of the accounting of the University, Mr. James S. McClelland was transferred to the Treasurer's Office on June the 30th, after eight years' efficient service as executive clerk in the Library.

A coat-checking room was established during the year, and was efficiently conducted by students from the Bureau of Appointments.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

For the greater part of the year Professor Day was in Paris with the Peace Commission, and Professor Tinker with the Military Intelligence Division of the War Department.

To replace Professors Day and Mendel, whose term of office expired in June, Professors Bumstead and Walker were appointed by the Corporation on the nomination of the Committee.

NEW LIBRARY BUILDING

There were no developments during the year to be recorded here, but the matter is naturally engaging the careful attention of the Library Committee and of the Library staff.

ANDREW KEOGH

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REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE SCHOOL OF LAW

I have the honor to present herewith my annual report as Librarian of the Law School and Curator of the Wheeler Collection for the year 1918–19.

CATALOGUING AND CLASSIFICATION

The relocation of nearly all the books in this library. which was begun in the summer of 1917, together with the proved defectiveness of the catalogue, made the recataloguing of the library imperative. As there are now over 50,000 books in the library, the immensity of the task is apparent. It was decided to adopt a uniform card system based on the Library of Congress printed cards, and much preliminary work in the acquiring of printed cards was carried on during the spring and summer of 1917. Without adequate assistance, but with much ambition, the work of recataloguing was begun. Experience has shown, however. that the current needs of the library during the sessions of the Law School absorb all the time of the Librarian and Assistant Librarian, and that recataloguing can be done during the summer period only. In two summers, the recataloguing has progressed to the letter H. In view of the inadequacy of assistance, it would have taken several vears of energetic work during the summer vacations to complete the recataloguing. To make this sacrifice unnecessary, and to enable the work to be completed within a reasonable time, the Corporation has provided the salary of an assistant in the Law Library, whose attention will be devoted primarily to the recataloguing of the collection.

ACCESSIONS

A report of the accession of some 1,200 volumes from the late Professor Hohfeld is associated with the painful duty of

noting the death of one of the ablest exponents of legal science that the present generation of legal scholars has produced. Professor Hohfeld's masterful work will always be identified with Yale. His contributions in legal analysis have begun, it may almost be said, a new school in juristic thinking. Yale has now a physical evidence of his association with the University in the possession of his valuable library of works on jurisprudence, which he bequeathed to the Yale Law School. These books will be housed in a special collection, according to the wish of the lamented testator.

The other important accession embraces a collection of some 1,500 volumes of duplicate reports of New York and of the Federal courts, which came to us by purchase at a nominal price from the estate of the late John W. Sterling.

Yale's ambitious program in the graduate fields of law study, undertaken in Roman Law, Comparative Law, Conflict of Laws, Legal History, Jurisprudence, and International Law, has been somewhat handicapped by inadequacy of library material. To remedy this defect, the Corporation has appropriated \$10,000 to enable the Law Librarian to proceed to Europe to purchase there such private libraries or independent legal works as will aid in developing the library equipment needed to meet the educational plans of the Graduate Department of the Law School. should enable us to obtain the most essential books. It will, however, require additional funds to enable us to provide adequate equipment for those graduate students whom it has been the aim of the Faculty to attract and to train in these exceptionally useful fields of scholarship. The practical utility of such training has been made more generally apparent by the growing intimacy of our commercial and political relations with Western Europe and Latin America.

During the year there have been added to the library 4,512 books, of which 1,549 have been gifts. The entire

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							Wheeler Collection	Entire Law Lib ra ry
1909-1910							2,683	31,444
1910-1911							3,116	34,014
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1912-1913							3,790	36,980
1913-1914							4,643	39,071
1914-1915							4,734	40,127
1915-1916							4,797	41,507
1916-1917							4,922	42,551
1917-1918							5,516	45,845
1918-1919							5,898	50,357

The new accessions, together with their respective expenditures, may be divided as follows: From the General, English, and 1896 funds, 2,581 volumes at an expenditure of \$3,819.38; from the Wheeler Fund, 382 volumes costing \$1,291.70; gifts, 1,549 volumes; subscriptions to periodicals, \$351.01; binding, \$191.35; repairs, office equipment, supplies, etc., \$224.09, making a total expenditure for the year of \$5,877.53. From this amount may be deducted \$205.29, a credit from the sale of duplicate books, making the net expenditure \$5,672.24.

The list of donors is again extensive. Continued correspondence with municipal, state and governmental officials of this and other countries has enabled us to secure many official publications of legal interest as donations, and has conserved our funds for other purchases. The list of donors follows.

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No. days open during the year	336
No. hours open each week $\begin{cases} \text{lending} & \dots & \dots \\ \text{reading} & \dots & \dots \end{cases}$	81 89
Staff, excluding janitors, pages, etc	42
Library property value, approximately	•
Total number of volumes at beginning of year, approximately	
Total number of volumes at end of year, approximately	1,157,000
Total number of volumes \int Linonian and Brothers	14,606
lent for home use \ Main Library	12,159
Registration of horrowers Linonian and Brothers	1,232
Registration of borrowers Linonian and Brothers Main Library	1,297
No. of newspapers, periodicals, and other serial Titles .	11,800
publications currently received (Copies .	11,800
Receipts: 350,665 Appropriations 52,441 Other receipts 10,124	
Total	\$113,230
Expenditures for Maintenance: Book account Books (including periodicals) . \$33,765 Binding	
Salaries $\begin{cases} \text{Library service} & . & . & . & . \\ \text{Janitor service} & . & . & . & . \\ 2,269 \end{cases}$	
Other expenditures	
Telephone and telegraph \$ 363	
Printing, postage, stationery,	
supplies, etc 2,743 Heat, light, water, etc 8,037	
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